

**DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK  
ANIMAL HEALTH DIVISION  
OFFICIAL ORDER NO. 04-02-I**

**DATE:** July 12, 2004  
**DATE EFFECTIVE:** July 12, 2004  
**DATE OF BOARD APPROVAL:** July 12, 2004  
**SUBJECT:** Tuberculosis (TB) Testing of Animals imported into Montana  
**STATUTORY AUTHORIZATION:** 81-2-102(1)(d), 81-2-302, and 81-2-303, Montana Code Annotated  
  
**ORDERED BY:** Thomas F.T. Linfield, D.V.M., State Veterinarian

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**REVIEWED BY:** Marc Bridges, Executive Officer, Department of Livestock

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**ORDER**

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE SET FORTH ABOVE, UNTIL AMENDED BY A STATUTE, RULE, OR OFFICIAL ORDER, THE TUBERCULOSIS (TB) TESTING REQUIREMENTS FOR ANIMALS IMPORTED INTO THE STATE OF MONTANA ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

**I. ANIMALS ORIGINATING FROM, AND RESIDING IN FOR 60 DAYS OR MORE, TB ACCREDITED-FREE STATES:**

**A. CATTLE AND BISON (including oxen, beefalo, and other *Bos* species)**

- 1) TB test (negative) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana for all M-Branded, Mx-Branded, or other cattle or bison originally from Mexico. Test must be performed by a USDA-APHIS-VS Accredited veterinarian.
- 2) TB test (negative) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana for all cattle or bison in contact with or exposed to M-Branded, Mx-Branded, or other cattle or bison originally from Mexico. Test must be performed by a USDA-APHIS-VS Accredited veterinarian.
- 3) TB test (negative) required within 60 days prior to importation for all sexually intact dairy cattle six (6) months of age and older, unless dairy cattle originating directly from USDA-APHIS-VS accredited TB-Free herd. (Herd accreditation number and date of entire herd test must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.)

**B. YAKS AND WILD SPECIES OF CLOVEN-HOOFED UNGULATES**

- 1) TB test (negative) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana for all yaks and wild species of cloven-hoofed ungulates; or
- 2) TB test not required if yaks originating directly from USDA-APHIS-VS Accredited TB-Free herd. The herd accreditation number and date of entire herd test must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

**C. GOATS**

- 1) TB test (negative) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana for all goats six (6) months of age and older; or
- 2) TB test not required if goats originating directly from USDA-APHIS-VS Accredited TB-Free herd. The herd accreditation number and date of entire herd test must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

**D. CAMELIDS (including llamas, alpacas, and, camels)**

- 1) TB test (negative axillary test) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana for all camelids.

**E. CERVIDS (including but not limited to deer, elk, reindeer)**

- 1) TB test (negative single-strength cervical test) within 90 days prior to importation into Montana and must originate directly from a herd that has been tested negative in its entirety within the last 12 months; or
- 2) Two TB tests (negative single-strength cervical tests) 90-120 days apart. The second TB test must be within 90 days prior to importation into Montana; or
- 3) TB test not required if cervids originating directly from USDA-APHIS-VS Accredited TB-Free herd. The herd accreditation number and date of entire herd test must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

#### **F. ELEPHANTS**

- 1) TB test (negative trunk wash and culture) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana; or
- 2) TB test (3 negative trunk washes and culture) within 12 months if not exposed to TB culture positive animal in last 5 years (USDA guidelines); or
- 3) TB test (3 negative trunk washes and culture) within 90 days if exposed to TB culture positive animal within last 5 years (USDA guidelines).

#### **G. NON-HUMAN PRIMATES**

- 1) TB test (negative intradermic test- eyelid, forearm, or abdomen with Tuberculin OT) within 30 days prior to importation into Montana.

### **II. ANIMALS ORIGINATING FROM (RESIDING IN FOR 60 DAYS OR MORE) TB MODIFIED ACCREDITED ADVANCED STATES: (TEXAS, CALIFORNIA, NEW MEXICO)**

#### **A. CATTLE AND BISON (including oxen, beefalo, and other *Bos* species)**

- 1) TB test (negative) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana for all cattle and bison; or
- 2) TB test not required if cattle or bison originating directly from USDA-APHIS-VS Accredited TB-Free herd. The herd accreditation number and date of entire herd test must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. (Individual animals in shipment must have been included in annual entire herd test).

#### **B. YAKS, WILD SPECIES OF CLOVEN-HOOFED UNGULATES, GOATS, CAMELIDS, CERVIDS, ELEPHANTS, AND NON-HUMAN PRIMATES**

- 1) Refer to requirements in section I.

### **III. ANIMALS ORIGINATING FROM, AND RESIDING IN FOR 60 DAYS OR MORE, TB MODIFIED ACCREDITED STATES OR STATES/ PROVINCES WITH TB DOCUMENTED IN WILDLIFE: (MICHIGAN, MANITOBA)**

#### **A. CATTLE (including oxen, beefalo, and other *Bos* species), BISON, BUFFALO, YAKS, WILD SPECIES OF CLOVEN-HOOFED UNGULATES, GOATS, CAMELIDS, AND CERVIDS**

- 1) TB test (negative) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana and must originate directly from a herd that has been TB tested in its entirety within the last 12 months; or
- 2) TB test (negative) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana and must originate directly from a USDA-APHIS-VS Accredited TB-Free herd (or Canadian equivalent). The herd accreditation number and date of entire herd test must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection; or
- 3) Two TB tests (negative) 60-120 days apart (90 to 120 days apart for Cervids and Camelids). The second TB test must be within 60 days prior to importation into Montana.

#### **B. ELEPHANTS AND NON-HUMAN PRIMATES**

- 1) Refer to requirements in section I.

### **IV. M-BRANDED, Mx-BRANDED, AND OTHER CATTLE OR BISON ORIGINATING DIRECTLY FROM MEXICO (IMPORTED INTO THE U.S. WITHIN 60 DAYS):**

- A) Two TB tests (negative) 60-120 days apart. The first negative TB test can be the U.S. entry test. The second negative test must be performed by a USDA-APHIS-VS accredited veterinarian and must be within 60 days prior to importation into Montana.

**ADDITIONAL:**

- (1) ALL TB TESTED ANIMALS MUST BE INDIVIDUALLY IDENTIFIED (OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION) AND LISTED ON THE CERTIFICATE OF VETERINARY INSPECTION TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR IMPORTATION INTO MONTANA.**
- (2) ANIMALS REQUIRING ONE OR MORE TB TESTS MUST NOT BE IN CONTACT WITH OR EXPOSED TO NON-TESTED ANIMALS OR OTHER ANIMALS OF A LESSER TB TEST-STATUS DURING THE TB TESTING PERIOD AND PRIOR TO IMPORTATION INTO MONTANA.**
- (3) ANIMALS ORIGINATING FROM PREMISES UNDER TB QUARANTINE OR FROM PREMISES WITH EPIDEMIOLOGICAL LINKS TO TB INFECTED PREMISES WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR IMPORTATION INTO MONTANA.**
- (4) ANY EXCEPTIONS TO THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS MUST BE APPROVED BY THE MONTANA STATE VETERINARIAN.**
- (5) THIS OFFICIAL ORDER RESCINDS THE FOLLOWING OFFICIAL ORDERS OF THE MONTANA STATE VETERINARIAN:**
  - (a) 03-01-I, dated March 4, 2003;**
  - (b) 02-03-I, dated November 12, 2002;**
  - (c) 02-01-I, dated July 15, 2002;**
  - (d) 02-02-I, dated July 15, 2002; and**
  - (e) 01-01-I, dated March 15, 2001.**